

PROPOSAL 32

5 AAC 06.320. Fishing Periods.

Extend duration of late-season fishing periods in the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik Districts, as follows:

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(c) In the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik Districts,

(2) after 9:00 a.m. July 17, salmon may be taken from 9:00 a.m. Monday **through 9:00 p.m. Sunday**, except as specified for the . . .

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Minimal fishing time after the regulatory period reduces opportunity to maximize the use of the fall fishery resource for the following reasons:

- 1. Fishermen/crewmembers cannot justify staying operational for 4 days of fishing time each week.
- 2. Processors cannot commit to maintaining personnel and equipment in an operational state when product is only available for 4 days/week.

In addition to the loss of opportunity to fishermen and processors, there is a concomitant loss of control and information in the escapement of late run salmon.

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